

USDA-NRCS-MINNESOTA EQIP APPLICATION SCORING WORKSHEET
National Priority Scoring for Norman County (January 2006 revision)

(Complete individual factor parts only if cost-shared practices are to be installed)

APPLICANT _____ APPLICATION # _____ FARM # _____ TRACT #(s) _____ DATE _____

FACTOR A1 - SHEET AND RILL and/or WIND EROSION CONTROL on any land use

Weighted tons soil/ac./yr. to be saved = _____

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|-------|--------------------------|----------|
| >0-<3 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 point |
| 3-5 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 points |
| >5 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 points |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 points |

2 Additional points if Soil Conditioning Index changes from negative to at least 0.0 on the field

Total A1 Points (Maximum 8)

FACTOR A2-CLASSIC OR EPHEMERAL GULLY CONTROL on any land use

Structural practice to control gullies 362, 410; 412; 638, 402* ☐ 6 points

*installed to control gully erosion

A2 Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR B1-WATER RESOURCE PROTECTION PRACTICES

Practice 590 ☐ 8 points

OR Practice 328b; 351; 391; 393; 595; 725; 472(in riparian areas) ☐ 6 points

OR Practice 332; 386; 449; 580; 362*; 558*, 360*, 752 ☐ 4 points

*installed to improve water quality but not part of a complete runoff control system

B1 Points (Maximum 8)

FACTOR B2- WASTEWATER AND RUNOFF CONTROL/CNMP

Either SUBFACTOR 1. FEEDLOT RUNOFF CONTROL (CHECK ONLY ONE BOX IF APPLICABLE)

FLEVAL Rating See Instructions

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|-------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1-10 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 Points |
| 11-25 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 Points |
| 26-49 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 Points |
| >49 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 Points |

Or SUBFACTOR 2. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION See Instructions ☐ 6 points

Or SUBFACTOR 3. SEASONAL LANDSPREADING See Instructions ☐ 3 points

Or SUBFACTOR 4. ANIMAL MORTALITY FACILITY; SILAGE LEACHATE ABATEMENT SYSTEM; OR MILKHOUSE WASTEWATER SYSTEM - as a single practice See Instructions ☐ 4 points

1 Additional point if subfactor 4 is part of a waste system with other subfactors ☐ 1 point

Total B2 Points (Maximum 7)

FACTOR C- HABITAT IMPROVEMENT

Practice 380; 395; 643; 645; 647; 657; 402(for wildlife) ☐ 6 points

1 additional point if practice benefits a threatened or endangered species. ☐ 1 point

1 point for any practice that meets pollinator habitat guidelines ☐ 1 point

See instructions.

Total C Points (Maximum 8)

FACTOR D AIR QUALITY

Practice is specifically installed to benefit air quality. See Instructions ☐ 6 points

OR Practice installed to benefit air quality as a secondary purpose. ☐ 1 point

See instructions

D Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR E- SENSITIVE WATERBODIES

Sensitive water body and requested practices address water quality concern ☐ 2 points

See instructions.

E Points (Maximum 2)

FACTOR F-DISTANCE

Distance from applicable practice or field edge to a receiving water. **CHECK ONE BOX ONLY.**

	<100'	100 to 500'	501 to 1000'	1001 to 2000'
Factors A1, A2, B1, B2	<input type="checkbox"/> 4pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 3pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 2pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 pts
or				
Factors C, G, H	<input type="checkbox"/> 3pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 2pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 1pts	<input type="checkbox"/> 0pts.

F Points (Maximum 4)

NATIONAL PRIORITY SCORE

	Points	Local Priority	Local Total	Area Priority	Area Total
Factor A1. Erosion Control	_____	<u>7</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor A2. Gully Control	_____	<u>10</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor B1. Water Resource Protection	_____	<u>5</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor B2. Wastewater/runoff/CNMP	_____	<u>5</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor C. Wildlife Habitat	_____	<u>4</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor D. Air Quality	_____	<u>1</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor E. Impaired Water Body	_____	<u>1</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor F. Distance	_____	<u>7</u>	_____	_____	_____
Total of National Priorities(must exceed 0)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

FACTOR G- PRESCRIBED GRAZING SYSTEM (move based on plant growth stage)

Practice 528A or 528A1

☐ 6 points

G Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR H-FOREST MANAGEMENT

Practice: 655, 666, 490, 612

☐ 6 points

Total H Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR I-ADDITIONAL LOCAL OR AREA CONCERN

6 pts. Enter concern and appropriate practices. See instructions.

☐ 6 points

Any applicant that chooses one of the following practices will receive a higher priority in Norman County: 351 Well Decommissioning, 362 Diversion, 410 Grade Stabilization Structure, 587 Structure for Water Control, 402 Dam (Floodwater Retarding), 412 Grassed Waterway, 606 Subsurface Drain, 350 Sediment Basin, 784 Wastewater and Feedlot Runoff Control, **338 Prescribed Grazing**, and 638 Water and Sediment Basin.

I Points (Maximum 6)

FACTOR J-COST EFFECTIVENESS

Practices are a cost-effective solution for the primary concern

☐ 1 point

J Points (Maximum1)

SCORE

	Points	Local Priority	Local Total	Area Priority	Area Total
Total from National Priorities(above)	_____		_____		_____
Factor G. Grazing System	_____	<u>10</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor H. Forest Management	_____	<u>2</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor I. Additional Local Concern	_____	<u>10</u>	_____	_____	_____
Factor J. Cost Effectiveness	_____	<u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____
Total Points	_____*		=====!!!!!!		=====

*Applications scoring less than 7 total base points (points before multiplying by the Priority weight) will be considered a low priority application and be ineligible for funding at this time.